what disposition should be made of it. A mulch is a valuable thing to have around a plant, probaly more valuable in the summer than in the winter. So it would be a good practice to just leave it there. Bagasse has a faculty for quickly decomposing, and by fall most of it would be decomposed.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Miami Hibiscus Chapter Hibiscus Show, May 20, 1956 in Miami, Fla.

Indian River Chapter Hibiscus Show June 10, 1956 in Ver Beach, Fla.

Putnam County Chapter Annual Hibiscus Festival, Aug. 19, 1956 at Palatka, Fla.

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GREETINGS from Miami Hibiscus Chapter. In this first attempt to put out a bulletin to all our AHS members, our entire stall of local officers and every member on our rolls send a hearty and cordial "Hello" & "Good Wishes" to all.
We are not so numerous as yet, but we are growing and at every meeting our enthusiasm mounts.

We wish all AHS members to know about our Hibiscus Garden located in Morningside Park, 55th Terrace and Biscayne Bay. The first purely Hibiscus Garden owned by the public in all the world. Plants for this garden were donated by members of the American Hibiscus Society. Planting and upkeep has been and continues under the direction of the Parks Division of the City of Miami. When in Miami don't fail to visit this garden and enjoy the thousands of lovely hibiscus blooms there. An remember always it belongs to A.H.S.
Before closing we will mention in passing : we have a new hybrid hibiscus, a product of the efforts of our fine President, W. Bruce Parnell He has honored one of our Directors-at-Large from Montgomery, Ala., Mr. Geo. E. Meriwether, by naming it after him.

C.D. Johnson, Correspondent.

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SCALES AND INSECTS TO WATCH FOR IN HIBISCUS

Hibiscus are attacked by two types of scale, snow scale and the so called turtle back scale ; and two types of insects, aphids and the infamous grasshoppers of all sizes. Snow scale is a small white scale that usually attacks a plant near the ground first and then spreads up the main trunk and branches and even the stems of the leaves. Snow scale is more prevalent in the warm months.

The commonly called turtle back scale is not nearly so profuse as it was a few years ago. However if your hibiscus are infested with turtle back scale, it is easily noticed as it is a hard-topped dark colored scale which looks like its name would imply.

A monor infestation of snow scale can be controlled on well established plants by using the force or pressure of water on the stems to knock the scale off ;however if there is a severe infestation of snow scale I would suggest using a spray mixture of Volck oil spray in solution with water, two parts Volck to 50 parts water. You may incorporate nicotrol with the Volck solution, one part to 200 parts water to control the aphids on the buds of the hibiscus.
Aphids are the small brownish green